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Atlas Copco opens a customer center in Burkina Faso

Stockholm, Sweden, October 22, 2012: Atlas Copco has opened a customer center in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, to strengthen the Group's presence in western Africa with an increased offering of products and services to mining customers.

Atlas Copco Burkina Faso Sarl was officially inaugurated on October 12. The company offers surface and underground mining equipment, exploration rigs, as well as drilling consumables and related parts and services. The organization is expected to grow from currently 10 to around 20 employees before the end of 2013, adding customer service and support staff.

"Having this facility helps us get closer to customers in French-speaking West Africa, where we see good growth potential in the mining and exploration segments," said Bob Fassl, Business Area President, Atlas Copco Mining and Rock Excavation Technique.

Atlas Copco previously conducted business in Burkina Faso through the customer center in Mali.

Atlas Copco is an industrial group with world-leading positions in compressors, expanders and air treatment systems, construction and mining equipment, power tools and assembly systems. With innovative products and services, Atlas Copco delivers solutions for sustainable productivity. The company was founded in 1873, is based in Stockholm, Sweden, and has a global reach spanning more than 170 countries. In 2011, Atlas Copco had 37 500 employees and revenues of BSEK 81 (BEUR 9). Learn more at www.atlascopco.com.

Atlas Copco's Mining and Rock Excavation Technique business area provides equipment for drilling and rock excavation, a complete range of related consumables and service through a global network. The business area innovates for sustainable productivity in surface and underground mining, infrastructure, civil works, well drilling and geotechnical applications. Principal product development and manufacturing units are located in Sweden, the United States, Canada, China and India.

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